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**TITLE OF INVENTION:** MUFFLER AND ASSOCIATED ASSEMBLY HAVING A CATALYST CARRIER BODY AND A RETAINING ELEMENT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE ASSEMBLY

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